Subject: "A Hunting Scene."

TEXT: "In the morning he shall devour the prey, and it night he shall divide the spoil."— Generals alix., 27.

A few nights ago 80) men encamped along the Long Island railroad so as to be ready for the next morning, which was the first "open day" for deer hunting. Between sun-rise and 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day fifteen deer were shot. On the 29th of October out woods and forests resound with the shock of firearms and are tracked of pointers and setters because the quail are then a lawful prize for the sportsman.

On a certain day in all England you can hear the crack of the sportsman's guo, because grouse hunting has begun, and every menthat can afford the time and am munition and can draw a bead starts for the munition and can draw a bead starts for the fields. Xenophon grew eloquent in regard to the art of hunting. In the far east people, elephant mounted, chase the tiger. The American Indian darts his arrow at the buffalo until the frightened herd fall over the rocks. European nobles are often found in the fox chase and at the stag hunt. Francis I was called the father of hunting. Moses I was called the father of hunting. Moses declares of Nimrod, "He was a mighty hunter before the Lord." Therefore, in all ages of the world, the imagery of my text ought to be suggestive, whether it means a

Old Jacob, dying, is telling the fortunes of his children. He prophesies the devouring propensities of Benjamin and his descendants. With his dim old and his descendants. With his dim old eyes he looks off and sees the hunters going out to the fields, ranging them all day, and at nightfall coming home, the game slung over the shoulder, and reaching the door of the tent shoulder, and reaching the door of the tent the hunters begin to distribute the game, and one takes a coney, and another a rabbit, and another a ree. "In the morning he shall de-your the prey, and at night he shall divide the spoil." Or it may be a reference to the habits of wild beasts that slay their prey and then drag it back to the cave or lair and di-vide it among the young.

then drag it back to the cave or lair and divide it among the young.

Itake my text, in the first place, as descriptive of those people who in the morning of their life give themsalves up to hunting the world, but afterward, by the grace of God, in the evening of their life divide among themselves the spoils of Christian character. There are aged Christian men and women in this house who lifthey cave testiwomen in this house, who, if they gave testimony, would tell you that in the morning of
their life they were after the world as intense as a hound after a hare, or as a falcon
twoops upon a gazelle. They wanted the
world's plaudits and the world's gains, world's plaudits and the world's gains. They felt that if they could get this world they would have everything. Some of them started out for the pleasures of the world. They thought that the man who laughed loudest was happiest. They tried repartee and conundrum and burlesque and madrigal.

They thought they would like to be Tom Hoods or Charles Lambs or Edgar A. Poes. They mixeled wine and music and the second

They mingled wine and music and the spec-tacular. They were worshipers of the har-lequin, and the Merry Andrew, and the buf-feon, and the jester. Life was to them foam and bubble and cachinnation androystering and grimace. They were so full of glee they could hardly repress their mirth even on sol-emn occasions, and they came near bursting out hilariously even at the burial because there was something so dolorous in the tone or countenance of the undertaker. After awhile misfortune struck them hard

on the back. They found there was some-thing they could not laugh at. Under their late hours their health gave way or there was a death in the house. Of every green thing their soul was exfoliated. They found out that life was more than a joke. From the heart of God there blazed into their soul an earnestness they had never felt before. They awoke to their sinfulness and their immorality, and here they sit at sixty or seventy years of age as appreciative of all innocent mirth as they ever were, but they are bent on a style of satisfaction which in early life they never hunted—the evening of their days brighter than the morning. In the morning they devoured the prey, but at night they divided the spoils.

Then there are others who started out for financial success. They see how limber the rim of a man's hat is when he bows down efore some one transpicuous. They fell they would like to see how the world looked from the window of a \$4000 turnout. They thought they would like to have the morning suntight tangled in the headgear of a dashing span. They wanted the bridges in park to resound under the rataplan of with hospital and the ratapian of with hospital and so they started on the dollar They chased it up one street and it down another. They followed it burrowed in the cellar. They treed

rever a dollar was expected to be, were. They chased it across the ocean, y chased it across the land. They stopped not for the night. Hearing that dollar, even not for the night. Hearing that dollar, even in the darkness, thrilled them as an Adirondack sportsman is thrilled at midnight by a loon's laugh. They chased that dollar to the money vault. They chased it to the Government treasury. They routed it from under the counter, All the hounds were out—all the pointers and the setters. They leaped the hedges for that dollar, and they cried: "Hark away! A dollar! A dollar!" And when at last they came upon it and had And when at last they came upon it and had actually captured it their excitement was

ng of their life, oh, how they sou!. They found out that took up a Northern Pacific ere was a hole in it through ould look into the uncertainty ly treasures. They saw some ig at the rate of \$25,000 a month, n a San Francisco wharf because d not continue to live at the same They saw the wizen and paralytic rs who had changed their souls into ten gold stamped with the image of the by avarice turned into homuncuit, and they dd to themselves, "I will seek after higher

From that time they did not care whether they walked or rode if Christ walked with them nor whether they lived in a mansion or in a hut if they dwelt under the shadow of the Almighty, nor whether they were robed in French broadcloth or in homespun if they had the robe of the Saviour's right-cousness; nor if they were sandalled with morocco or calfskin if they were shol with the preparation of the Gospel. Now you see peace on their countenance. Now that man says: "What a fool I was to be enchanted with this world. When I was more satisfacwith this world. Why, I have more satisfaction in five minutes in the service of God than I had in all the first years of my life while I was gaing of ting. I like this evening of my day a great deal better than I did the morning. In the mornin; I greedily de-voured the prey, but now it is evening, and

I am gloriously dividing the spoil."

My friends, this world is a poor thing to hunt. It's healthful to go out in the woods and hunt. It rekindles the luster of the eye. It strikes the brown of the autumnal leaf into the cheek. It gives to the rheumatic limbs the strength to leap like a roe. Christopher North's pet gun, the muckle-mou'd Meg ing off in the summer in the forest had its echo in the winter time in the eloquence that een on the winter time in the eloquence that rang through the university halls of Edinburgh. It is healthy to go hunting in the fields, but I tell you that it is belittling and bedwarfing and belaming for a man to hunt this world. The hammer comes down on the guncap, and the barrel explodes and kills you instead of that which you are pursuing.

When you turn out to hunt the world, the world turns out to hunt you, and as many a sportsman aiming his gun at a panther's heart, has gone down under the striped claws, so while you have been attempting to devoy this world the world has been deouring you. So it was with Lord Byron. o it was with Coleridge. So it was with nerine of Russia. Henry II. went out ating for this world, and its lances struck hrough his heart. Francis I. aimed at the rorld, but the assassin's dagger put an end p his ambition and his life at one stroke. tary Queen of Scots wrote on the window f her castle:

From the top of all my trust Mishap hath laid me in the dust.

The Queen Dowager of Navarre was offered or her wedding day a costly and beautiful air of gloves, and she put them on, but they were poisoned gloves, and they took her life, letter a bare hand of cold privation than a rarm and poisoned glove of rulnous success.
Oh," says some young man in the audience,
I believe what you are preaching. I am
oing to do that very thing. In the morning of my life I am going to devour the prey, and in the evening I shall divide the spoils of Christian character. I only want a little while to sow my wild oats, and then I will

resolved to become Christians in o

putting it off a certain number of years. They never got to be old. The railroad collision, or the steamboat explosion, or the slip on the ice, or the falling ladder, or the sudden cold put an end to their opportunities. They have never had an opportunity since, and never will have an opportunity again. They locked the door of heaven against their soul, and they threw away the keys. They chased the world and they died

keys. They chased the world, and they died in the chase. The wounded tiger turned on them. They failed to take the game they

pursued. Mounted on a swift courser, they leaped the hedge, but the courser fell on them and crushed them. Proposing to barter their soul for the world, they lost both

While this is an encouragement to old peo-ple who are still unparloned, it is no en-

ouragement to the young who are putting off the day of grace. This doctrine that the

off the day of grace. This doctrine that the old may be repentant is to be taken cutiously. It is medicine that kills or cures. The same medicine given to different patients,

The same mentalist and the same mentalist in one case it saves life and in the other it destroys it. This possibility of repentance at the close of life may cure the old man while it kills the young. Be cautious in tak-

Again, my subject is descriptive of those

who come to a suiden and radical change. You have noticed how short a time it is

from morning to night—only seven or eight hours. You know that the day has a very

brief life. Its heart beats twenty-four times, and then it is dead. How quick this transi-tion in the character of these Benjamites!

tion in the character of these Benjamites? "In the morning they shall devour the prey, and at night they shall divide the spoils." Is it possible that there shall be such a transformation in any of our characters? Yes, a man may be at 7 o'clock in the morning an all devouring worldling, and at 7 o'clock at night he may be a peaceful distributive.

into the kingdom of God quicker than down

the sky runs zigzag lightning. A man may be anxious about his soul for a great many years; that does not make him a Christian. A man may pray a great while; that does not make him a Christian. A man may resolve on the reformation of his character and have

that resolution going on a great while; that does not make him a Christian. But the very instant when he flings his soul on the

wery instant when he lings in a south of the mercy of Jesus Christ, that instant is lustration, emancipation, resurrection. Up to that point he is going in the wrong direction; after that point he is going in the right direction. Before that moment he is a child

of sin; after that moment he is a child of God. Before that moment devouring the

prey; after that moment dividing the spoil. Five minutes is as good as five years.

My hearer, you know very well that the best things you have done you have done in a flash. You made up your mind in an in-

stant to buy, or to sell, or to invest, or to stop, or to start. If you had missed that one chance, you would have missed it forever. Now, just as precipitate and quick and spon-

some morning you were making a calcula-tion. You get on the track of some financial or social game. With your pen or pencil you

were pursuing it. That very morning you were devouring the prey, but that very night you were in a different mood. You found that all heaven was offered you. You wondered how you could get it for yourself and

for your family. You wondered what re-sources it would give you now and hereafter.

You are dividing peace and comforts and sat-isfaction and Christian reward in your soul.

You are dividing the spoil.

One Sabbath night at the close of the ser-

One Sabbath night at the close of the service I said to some persons, "When did you first become serious about your soul?" And they told me, "To-night." And I said to others, "When did you give your heart to God?" And they said, "To-night." And I said to still others, "When did you resolve to serve the Lord all the days of your life?" And they said, "To-night." I saw by the gayety of their apparel that when the grace of God streak them they ware dayouring the

gayety of their apparel that when the grace of God struck them they were devouring the prey, but I saw also in the flood of joyful tears, and in the kindling raptures on their brow, and in their exhilarant and transporting utterances, that they were dividing the

If you have been in this building when the

lights are struck at night, you know that with one touch of electricity they are all blazed. Oh, I would to God that the dark-

ness of your soul might be broken up, and that by one quick, overwhelming, instantaneous flash of illumination you might be brought into the light and the liberty of the

You see that religion is a different thing

of the soul; that it broke the wing and crushed the beak as it came clawin; with its

black talons through the air. No, that is not

What is religion? It is dividing the spoil.

It is taking a defens-less soul and panoply-ing it for eternal conquest. It is the distribu-tion of prizes by the king's hand, every medal

stamped with a coronation. It is an exhilar-ation, expansion. It is imparadisation. It

Prince Emanuel, and the diadems of heaven, and the glory of realms terrestrial and celes-

tial, and then, after ranging all worlds for everything that is resplendent, it divides the

spolis.
What was it that James Turner, the fa-

mous English evangelist, was doing when in his dying moments he said. "Christ is all!

Christ is all?" Why, he was entering into light. He was rounding the Cape of Good

Hope. He was dividing the spoil. What was the aged Christian Quakeress doing

She longed with wings to fly away Aud m'x with that eternal day.

Ten thousa d times ten thousand, in sparaling raiment bright.
The armies of the ransomed saints Throng up the steeps of light.
This no shed, all Is finished, Their fight with death and sin.
Lift a gay your go'den gates.
And let the victors in.

ear, though your eyes rain tears of uncon-

I came to Jesus as I was, Weary and worn and sad. I foun t in Him a resting place, And He has made me glad.

Though you came in children of the world, you may go away heirs of heaven. Though this very autumnal morning you were de-

this very autumnal morning you were devouring the prey, now, all worlds witnessing, you may divide the spoil.

eternity.

will go away sayinn.

There is a poverty struck soul,

sons of God!

Christian

be good."

Young man, did you ever take the census of all the old people? How many old people are there in your house? One, two or none? How many in a vast assemblage like this? Only here and there a gray head, like the patches of snow here and there in the fields on a late April day. The fact is that the lides of the years are so strong that men go A Day's Happenings As Told By the Wires. on a late April day. The fact is that the tides of the years are so strong that men go down under them before they get to be sixty, before they get to be fifty, before they get to be forty, before they get to be thirty; and if you, my young brother, resolve now that you will spend the morning of your days in devaring the prey the probability is that you will never divide the spolls in the evening hour. He who postpones until old age the religion of Jesus Christ postpones it forever. Where are the men who, thirty years ago, resolved to become Christians in old age.

FOOTBALL IN CONFERENCE.

THE OLD DOMINION.

Col. Hampton Hoge Arrives Roanoke from El Paso, Texas-Fainted at the Verdict-Pulaski Court-House Burned.

The last day of the Virginia Methodist Conference at Danville was a very interesting one in the matter of debates. The first subject discussed was football, brought up by resolutions offered by Dr. A. G. Brown condemning the manner of playing football at the colleges as being brutal, demoralizing in influence, injurious to health, and dangerous to lim's of contestants, and urging that faculties of colleges under the care and patronage of the Methodist Church do all in

their power to put down football. Some of the younger n inister-, who have just left college, defended football, one going so far as to ridicule the resolutions, declaring the conference about to make a spectacle of itself. He offered a substitute that a committee be appointed to draw up a set of rules to be known as conference football rules and that students of Randolph, Macon, and other colleges under the church be re-

quired to play by them. Another substitute modifying the language of the original resolutions and merely expressing disapproval of the evil tendencies of football was adopted.

The following memorials were adopted: That the General Conference shall be composed of 1 delegate to every 45 members ;that paragraph 30, answer 3 of Discipline, be slighly amended; that the right to perform marriage and communion service be conferred upon all preachers in charge when in the judgment of conference they are worthy; that the conditions of admission to church membership be made more stringent; that all applications for admission to conference shall in future be considered in committee instead of in open conference.

The following memorial created lengthy discussion: That the General Conference order the Virginia Conference divided into North Virginia and South Virginia Conferences and the following lines be observed: From the Blue Ridge mountains to Hampton Roads, along the line of the James river; thence up Elizabeth river by the Southern branch to the Albemarle and Chesapeake canal : thence through the said canal : thence along the North Landing river to Currituck sound ; thence to the Atlantic ocean, to Old Currituck inlet, and that said division be made at the conference of 1894.

The most interesting, earnest and animated debate of the conference session was on this subject. In answer to minute question the following statistics are given: Number of local preachers in the conference, 140 ;church members, 81,569; increase past year, 2,091; infant baptisms, 1627; adults baptisms, 3,561; number of Sunday-schools, 799; officers and teachers, 8,203; scholars, £6,402; amount collected for superannuates and for widows and orphans of deceased ministers, \$11,052.38; for domestic missions, \$.0,785.21 ; for foreign missions, \$16,681.68; paid for church extension, \$3,694; number of church edifices, 754; value of same, \$1,784,500 ; number of parsonages, 131; value of same, \$ 48,25).

Following are the assessments for the en-\$3,600; eduction, \$3,500; chur \$5,000: domestic missions, \$13,500; foreign missions, (22,50); annual conference, \$2,000; general conference, \$800.

Col. Hoge Arrives at Roanoke,

Col. Hampton Hoge, United States consul to Amoy, China, arrived at Roanoke from El Paso, Texas, accompanied by his wife. Dr. George S. Luck met them at the depot and accompanied them to the residence of Col. John E. Penn, Col. Hoge's brother-inlaw, on West Campbell avenue. Colonel from what some of you people suppose. You thought it was a decadence. You thought it was highway robbery; that it struck one down and left him half dead; that it plucked out the eyes; that it plucked out the eyes; that it plucked out the way that it because the way and the seals that it plucked out the eyes; Hoge is looking thin and is quite weak. In reply to inquiry for information as to his rumored recall said : "I am feeling unwell and do not care to talk, and besides I am not prepared just at present to give to the public any statement with regard to my appointment further than I characterize every charge brought against me and so widely published as absolutely false, and in short while I will be able to vindicate myself of every one of them. This is all I am prepared to say at present." On being asked if in case of a vindication he still contemplated filling his is enthronement. Religion makes a man master of earth, of death and hell. It goes forth to gather the medals of victory won by appointment, he said: "As I said, I have nothing further to say on the subject at present than what I have just said. In time I will make a full explanation, and I will then satisfactorily vindicate myself and show that I have been grossly misrepresented in every essential particular." The Colonel. after resting a few days under care of his wife and physician, will proceed to Washington and ask a hearing on the charges filed against him.

when at eighty years of age she arose in the meeting one day and said: "The time of my Pulaski Court-House Burned. departure is come. My grave clothes are falling off?" She was dividing the spoil. About 10 o'clock at night a fire was discovered in the upper rooms of the courthouse at Newbern, and the flames spread so What is Daniel now doing, the lion tamer, and Elijah, who was drawn by the flaming coursers, and Paul, the rattling of whose chains made kings quake, and all the other victims of flood and fire and wreek and guilrapidly that in a very short time the fire in the building was beyond control. The citizens gave their efforts to the saving of -where are they? Dividing the spoil, pails of water. The records were all saved. as the handsome \$2,000 vault just completed last year was fire-proof. The jail is situated just back of the court-house, and a little while before the alarm was given one of the Oh, what a grand thing it is to be a Chris-tian! We begin now to divide the spoil, but the distribution will not be completed to all prisoners saw a man ascend the stairs leading into the gallery with a light in his band there is a business despoiled soul, there is a sin struck soul, there is a bereaved sou— why do you not come and get the spoils of Christian character, the comfort, the joy, the peace, the salvation that I am sent to offer sonic Hall overhead. He states that immediately after the man ascended the house was enveloped in flames. He saw only one man, but could not identily him, and as yet you in my Master's name?
Though your knees knock together in weakness, though your hand tremble in there is not the slightest clue to the incenfear, though your eyes rain tears of uncon-trollable weeping—come and get the spoil. Rest for all the weary. Pardon for all the guilty. Rescue for all the bestormed. Life for all the dead. I verily believe that there are some who have come in here downcast because the world is against them, and be-cause they feel God is against them, who will go away saying.

Fainted at the Verdict. The case of D. H. Mitchell, of Roanoke, charged with murdering N. C. Dyer, was given to the jury, and after being out about one hour they brought in a verdict of manslaughter and fixed the penalty at five years' imprisenment in the penitentiary. Mitchell, when the verdict was announced, fainted, and for some time it was thought he was dead. A physician was summoned, but before he arrived Mitchell resumed his normal condition. The counsel w.ll make an appeal for a new trial.

Natural gas has been struck nearCharleston EMPEROR WILLIAM is of the opinion that West Virginia, and will be piped to that e ty. The Kanawha Sait Works will re-open the infernal machine sent to Chancellor Capand 500 men will be started to work at once, rivi was the work of a madman,

VIRGINIA ITEMS.

The Latest News Gleaned From Various Farts of the State THE Potomac Asheries along the border of

King George county were opened about ten days ago, and the fishermen are being rewarded with the largest catch for many

THE farmers along the route of the proposed electric railway from Washington to Falls Church, in Fairfax county, have agreed to donate the right of way.

South Anna river abounds in the fines specimens of German carp. One more than three feet long was recently landed by W. J. Logan, of Louisa.

An Augusta county cattle dealer has just sold 17 head of beef cattle whose aggregate weight was 23,127 pounds, an average of 1,400 pounds each.

Marshal Levi, of the western district of Virginia has appointed J. W. Tepper, of Christiansburg, Montgomery county, his

Selby Sapp, aged seventy, was killed near Jacksonville, Lewis county, while digging coal. The roof of a mine fell on him. E. H. Long, of Elkins, W. Va., dropped

dead last week from heart disease. He was a native of Warren, Pa. Mr. Theodore C. Grady, of Richmond, has been appointed paymaster of the Brazil-

ian warship America. Thomas R. Dawson killed a deer on Cacapon mountain, Morgan county, that weighed 188 pounds.

SENATOR CAMDEN has purchased 7,000 acres of land in Randolph county.

PHILIP WOOLWINE, an old citizen of Christainsburg, died suddenly Monday. After eating his dinner he retired to his room, and an hour afterwards, when his daughter went to inquire how he was feeling, she found him dead, sitting in a chair.

An English gentleman who, perhaps, does not understand the working of the McKinley bill, has sent his friend, Rev. Dr. Hartley Carmichael, of Richmond, a suit of clothes for a Christmas gift. The suit cost \$9, and in order to accept it Dr. Carmichael has had to pay "Uncle Sam's" bill of \$10.29. E. C. McCullocu, a prominent citizen of

Amelia county, was tried last week on a charge of attempting to burn the Otterburn Hotel on the morning of the second day of May. The trial resulted in a verdict of not guilty. COL. R. S. SEAMON, of Darksville, is prob-

ably the oldest man in Berkeley county, being in his ninetieth year, and is well physically and mentally. He can see to read without glasses. FLETCHER HUTT, a colored section hand or

the Richmond and Danville Road, was struck by a train at Midlothian and instantly killed.

FLYING PIECES OF IRON,

Terriffic Boiler Explosion in West Virginia -- Men Fatally Hurt.

There were two disastrous boiler explosions in West Virginia, At the Dewer Bros.' oil well, near Mannington, the boiler let go about three o'clock with terrific vio lence, portions of it being found half a mile away. One large fragment descended through the roof of Frank Barook's house the firebox went through the roof of Mrs. J. Whiggin's residence, narrowly missing her children, who were playing in the bedroom, and another piece landed in A. W Kraft's yard, but a few yards from where Mrs. Kraft was standing, and other narrow escapes occurred. The only person hurt was a son of S. M. Dewer and a daughter of B. V. Cunningham, both of whom were cuing year: Conference, \$12,00J; bishops, scalded. Five or six houses were demolished by the force of the explosion

The other explosion was that of a sawmill boiler at Dragg, about twenty-five miles from Parkersburg, M. Copely, Hanley Copely and Harry Leovens were fatally hurt, and Allen Bonen seriously injured.

PEOPLE AND EVENTS.

WM. K. VANDERBILT has started on a tenmonth's tour on his new yacht, the Valiant. THE Misses Catherine and Jane Fuller, daughters of Chief Justice Fuller, have arrived in London accompanied by B. Fuller

GEN. LEW WALLACE says he was six years in writing his "Prince of In lia." He consulted many books, but only one personhis wife-in reference to the work.

Queen Victoria has presented to the Pitchirn Islanders a fine life-bont, which will be taken them from Esquimault, B. C. by the Pacific flagship Royal Arthur.

GEO. B. McCLELLAN, son of "Little Mac, is 28 years old and a favorite of Tammany Hall. There is said to be a probability that he will be New York City's next candidate for Governor. RESIDENTS of Nantucket like to point out

to visitors the house at the junction of School and Fair streets in their town, which was the birth-place of Lucretia Mott. It is now occupied by Judge Dutriez, of the District Court.

Theodore D. Weld, one of the most prominent of the early Aboltionists, a chum of Garrison, Philips, Mrs. Child and the Grimkes, is still living at his home in Hyde Park, near Bostom, where he recently celebrated his 90th birthday.

THE James Russell Lowell memorial in the chapter house of Westminster Abbey is by George Frampton. It shows the poets full face, almost life-size, with allegorical figures on each side: "This tablet is placed the opposite and adjacent buildings, the here in the memory of James Russell Lowell, young ladies heroically assisted by carrying United States Minister to the Court of St. Jan es from 1880 to 1885, by his English

friends." Ivan Rinboshapka, probably the most famous of the leaders of Russian Stundism. who for some months has been lying in jail in Elizabethgrad, has just been banished by administrative order and forwarded to Gebut supposed he was going up into the Ma- rusi, a place in the wilds of one of the provinces of Transcaucasia. He is over 60 years of age.

> Mrs. Margaret Bradley, of Boston, bequeathed \$12,000 to her native village of Carndine, County Tyrone, Ireland, for the erection of a memorial church. The village is so small that it could not support the church if it should be built. The Catholic Bishop of Derry has been summoned from Ireland as a witness in the probate of the

CUT DOWN IN CHURCH.

Cossacks Kill Twenty and Wound a Hundred.

A telegram from Kovno says the Russian Government recently ordered a Catholic church in the Government of Kovno closed. The members of the congregation thereupon flocked to the church and remained in the

uight and day.

One night a force of troops under the Governor entered the church and attacked the people with swords, killing twenty and wounding over a hundred. A large number fied, was pursued by Cossacks and drowned in attempting to swim across a river, THE HIGHEST AWARD.

Royal Baking Powder has all the Honors-In Strength and Value 20 per cent. above its Nearest Com-

The Royal Baking Powder has the enviable record of having received the highest award for articles of its class -greatest strength, purest ingredients, most perfectly combinedwherever exhibited in competion with others. In the exhibitions of former years, at the Centennial, at Paris, Vienna and at the various State and Industrial fairs, where it has been exhibited, judges have invariably awarded the Royal Baking Powder the highest honors.

At the recent World's Fair the examination for the baking powder awards were directed by the chief chemist of the Agricultural Department at Washington. The chief chemist's official report of the tests of the baking powders, which was made for the specific purpose of ascertaining which was the best, shows the leavening strength of the Royal to be 160 cubic inches of carbonic gas per ounce of powder. Of the cream of tartar baking powders exhibited, the next highest in strength tested contained but 133 cubic inches of leavening gas. The other powders gave an average of 111. The Royal, therefore, was found of twenty per cent. greater leavening strength than its nearest competitor, and forty-four per cent. above the average of all the other tests. superiority in other respects, however in the quality of the food it makes as to fineness, delicacy and wholesome-

It is these high qualities, known and appreciated by the women of the country for so many years, that have caused the sales of the Royal Baking Powder, as shown by statistics, to exceed the sale of all other baking powders combined.

ness, could not be measured by fig-

Unresisting Prey to Tigers.

There are some unfortunate Indian villagers who appear to live all their lives in constant peril. On the one hand stands the man-eating tiger; on the other the Arms act warns them to beware of acquiring lethal weapons. They have nothing for it, therefore, but to trust everything to official protection, and this, it appears, some times proves anything but a safe-Only the other day the miserable inhabitants of Anami, a hamlet in Bengal, implored the Lieutenant Governor to take action before they were gobbled up.

A particularly hungry tiger had established itself close to the village, and almost every day witnessed a fresh outrage. At one time, the beast showed a preference for cattle, and the milky mothers of the herd had their ranks thinned. But this kind of fare required to have its monotony relieved at intervals by the substitution of "long pork," with the result of some inhabitant becoming acquainted with the digestive tigrine apparatus.

The villagers were quite willing to make war upon their striped foe; at least they professed to be. But they possessed no arms, that being forbidden by law, while the state did not attempt to afford them any protection beyond the general offer of rewards for tiger killing.

Similar cases are by no means uncommon; they often come to light in diplomat. The Recorder has a great the native papers, by which they are | fund of quiet humor of his own, adduced as arguments for the abro. which he keeps pretty much to himgation of the Arms Act. That rem-self. Everybody knows of this Judge's edy would be far worse than the disease; if all the people in Indian were allowed to carry deadly weapons there would be no end to battle, murder and sudden death. Efficient state protection is the proper remedy for an evil which would scarcely exist at all but for the interference of the state with the liberty of the sub-

Perhaps the Indian Civil Service examination will hereafter include come tests of sporting prowers; it is a much more necessary kind of education than many of the subjects which are taken up.

A Queer Dwelling.

Arizona is literally covered with the ruins of strange habitations. Most of them are constructed of con crete or adobe, and the mystery about them is the identity of the people who designed them. How they cou d be built is not a matter of conjecture, as the materials are close at hand But there is one ruin, although still in a good state of preservation, that is a mystery, no matter in what light it is considered.

It is in the Huachucha mountains, not far from the military reservation, in a northeastern direction. Nothing is known of its origin, and the wonderful part is the material of which it is constructed.

It is about two hundred miles from the ocean, and surrounded on all sides by hills of sand and rocks covered with cacti. There is no water for miles, except the excuses for rivers that run during the rainy season. There is not even a suggestion of water, and yet the house is built of sea shells laid in a sort of cement.

Where the shells were obtained is a mystery that may never be solved. It does not seem possible that the builder of the house would carry the material over hundreds of miles of desert when there were plenty of rocks near by that would answer the purpose just as well, even though they were not so unique.

The house is built in the shape of the straw huts of the Papago Indians, and is about the same size. There is room inside for five or six persons, but at present nobody occupies it, except perhaps, some prospector, who uses it for temporary shelter in cold weather. There are a dozen varieties of shells

to be found in the walls, and one over the door is of extraordinary size The age of the building will never be known, but there is little doubt but that it is as old as the oldest in the Territory.

FASHION requires that pie should be eaten with a fork; but Bass says he always eat; it with cheese, which is quite good enough for him -Boston Transcript.

THE kennel-keeper thrives "by going to the dogs."-Glens Falis Republican.

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THE RIM OF A WHEEL

Explanation of Why the Top Moves Faster The statement that the top of a

wheel moves faster than the bottom has occasioned much discussion by practical men in all lines of business, and frequently they have aired their views in these columns. Our excellent contemporary, Power, recently published the following lucid explanation of the problem:

The angular velocity of all parts of

the wheel about the hub is the same. The linear velocity about the nun of all points in the wheel is proportion. ate to their distance from the center, whether above or below the center. With reference to the ground or a stationary object the top of the wheel advances the faster, but as every point in the wheel is consecutively assuming that position the forward motion of the wheel as a whole, is, of course, the same. In the accompanying sketch the top of a wheel is marked A, the bottom B. As the wheel makes a half revolution, bringing A to the bottom and B to the top, these points are carried through paths indicated by the dotted lines. During the first quarter revolution A has gone to A1, B only to B, but during the next quarter A goes only to A2, while B The curve traced is a goes to B2. cycloid. While the point B was below the hub it went ahead only the distance x; when it was above it went shead with reference to the ground the distance y. When A was above the center it went ahead the distance m, after it fell below the center it only made the distance n in the same time, but x plus y equals m plus n. The apparent anomaly that different parts of the same wheel can travel at different speeds is explained by remembering that it is the speed as between one part of the wheel and a stationary object, not as between different parts of the same wheel that is considered. In the first position A and B are at equal distances from a point in front of the carriage. In the second position A is ahead of B in the direction of movement of the carriage a distance to the diameter of the wheel. In the third position they are again even, for one loses below the center as much as the other gains above.

IS A FAMOUS CRIMINAL JUDGE.

Does Many Kind Acts, Though Credited with Judicial Severity. The Recorder of the city of New

York has the name of possessing a short temper, but for a baker's dozen of years he has with cherubic resignation put up with baving his name mispronounced by some 1,700,000 of his fellow-citizens, every one of whom is pretty sure to have that name on h's tongue during some portion of the year. The Press, therefore, a nes to the long-suffering Recorder's rescue by informing the general public that Frederica Smyth pronounces his name Smith. In repose and with the eyes closed, as they frequently are, as if to shut out the dismal outlines of the court-room, Recorder Smyth's face looks like a death-mask of George Washington. When he smiles, as he does on those very unusual occasions when a lawyer makes a really humorous sally, it is a smile of dry amusement, and the face looks then like that of a cynical eighteenth century severity toward evil-doers, and his reputation for bending the plastic minds of juries in the way that his strong mind inclines-which is generally for conviction-is widespread. On the other hand, none but habitues of the court are aware of his many kindnesses to innocent prisoners brought before him, nor of his encouragement of such young lawyers as he really thinks worth developing. His term expires next year.

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